

AGENDA



Recommendation for Council Action (Purchasing)

Austin City Council	Item ID:	15652	Agenda Number	19.
Meeting Date:	6/7/2012			
Department:	Purchasing			
Subject				
<p>Authorize award and execution of a 24-month requirements service contract with H. BROWN MACHINE SHOP, INC., for the purchase of heavy hauling services to transport electric utility equipment for Austin Energy in an estimated amount not to exceed \$1,864,000 with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$932,000 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$4,660,000.</p>				
Amount and Source of Funding				
<p>Funding in the amount of \$233,000 is available in the Fiscal Year 2011-2012 Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the remaining 21 months of the original contract period and extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.</p>				
Fiscal Note				
<p>There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.</p>				
Purchasing Language:	Sole bid received.			
Prior Council Action:				
For More Information:	Gage Loots, Buyer II, 512-322-6118			
Boards and Commission Action:	Recommended by the Electric Utility Commission.			
Related Items:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.			
MBE / WBE:	This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program). No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.			

Additional Backup Information

This contract will provide heavy equipment hauling services for Austin Energy (AE) to be purchased on an as-needed basis. The contractor shall provide all supervision, labor, trucks, materials and traffic security services required to safely transport AE's heavy electric utility equipment. The contractor will also provide all necessary lifting and jacking equipment to safely lift, load and unload the equipment at the locations designated by AE. The equipment to be transported under this contract ranges from 40,000 to 600,000 pounds and includes power transformers, switchgear, power poles and mobile substations.

MBE/WBE solicited: 22/7

MBE/WBE bid: 0/0

BID TABULATION

IFB No. GAL0036
Heavy Hauling Services
(25 – line items)

Vendor

Total Bid Amount □ 12 months

**H. Brown Machine Shop, Inc.
Eunice, LA**

\$932,000.00

A complete bid tabulation is on file in the Purchasing Office and is on the City of Austin, FASD Purchasing Office website.

PRICE ANALYSIS

- a. Sole bid. Additional contractors were contacted in an effort to obtain additional bids without success. This is an extremely specialized service with specialized labor, experience, and insurance requirements because of the types of items being transported.
- b. Three-hundred four notices were sent, including twenty-two MBEs and seven WBEs. One bid was received, with no response from the MBE/WBEs.
- c. The pricing offered represents a 24.88% increase to the last contract award made December 2008. This increase is due to higher fuel costs as supported by the Producer Price Index (PPI) for diesel fuel; which has increased by 204.14% since the previous contract was awarded.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION

- a. Sole bid. H. Brown Machine Shop, Inc. is the current provider of these services.
- b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award.
- c. Advertised on the Internet.